SHANMUKHAM CANAL—BLACK SOIL DEPOSITS—INDUSTRIAL POSSIBILITIES OF

190. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state. —

(*a*) whether the Government have come to know of certain special varieties of black soil at the basin of the Shanmukham Canal at Irinjalakkuda;

(*b*) whether the Government are aware of any such peculiar soil deposits when the Shanmukham Canal was being dug;

(*c*) whether the Government be pleased to collect such clay deposits and get these analysed either in the Harbour Geological Laboratory or any other good laboratory and find out whether there are any industrial or other possibilities from such clay if in case no investigations have been made in this affair?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):*

(*a*) & (*b*) Different varieties of soil were seen when the Shanmukham Canal was dug. In the basin of the Canal special varieties of black soil were also noticed.

(*c*) Government will consider the question of analysing samples of the special varieties of soil.

MAHARAJA'S COLLEGE—ADMISSIONS—CASTEWAR STATEMENT

191. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of applications received by the Principal, Maharaja's College, Ernakulam, for admission to the Junior Intermediate and Junior B. A., classes in the beginning of this academic year, furnishing information regarding the number from different communities and their nationality;

(*b*) the number admitted from each of the above groups;

(*c*) what were the grounds on which applications for admission were refused?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) and (*b*) A Statement is attached. *(Appendix III)*

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(c) Applications had to be refused for want of seats, on the ground of applicants being non-Cochinites and also on account of their being late in some cases. (Several applicants to whom admission cards were issued did not also turn up for admission).

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ : അഡ്മിഷൻ കൊടുക്കുന്നതിൽ ലോക്കൽ സ്റ്റുഡൻസിനല്ലെ പ്രിഫറൻസ് കൊടുക്കേണ്ടത് ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* There is no such rule that local students should be given preference.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ : ഈ രാജ്യത്തുള്ള സ്റ്റുഡൻസിനു ഈ രാജ്യത്തെ കോളേജിൽ പ്രിഫറൻസ് കൊടുക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* I can only make a statement of fact that no special local preference is given to students based purely on their habitation.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know, Sir, whether any application has been refused for the reason that the applicant has not acquired a certain number of marks in the University examination?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* In the matter of selection, other things being equal, preference is given to those who have got better marks. If, for instance, there are 20 applicants from one community and a certain number has been reserved for admission, they are selected according to the number of marks they obtained in the examination.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Nambudiri, Nambidi, Elayath—all their applications were refused. May I know whether they are untouchables in the college?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* The hon'ble member will read the last portion of answer to sub-division (c). Several applicants to whom admission cards were issued did not also turn up for admission.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Is it because that they did not turn up for admission?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* I am absolutely certain that the college authorities have not refused admission to any of these applicants. It must be the latter case.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Are not rules framed for admission?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Yes, definite rules have been framed.

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APPENDIX III

(Please see answer to question No. 191)

Statement showing No. of applications received and No. admitted, according to caste

Castes	Junior Intermediate, No. of applications received	No. admitted	Junior B.A. No. of applications received	No. admitted
Brahmin	56	26	18	13
Nayar	100	62	40	26
Christians	115	42	66	29
Saraswat Brahmins	17	8	4	4
Ezhuvas	35	21	11	8
Thiyya	6	3	8	7
Yadava	1	1	..	..
Muslims	17	13	7	6
Devadasi	2	2	..	..
Warriar	2	2	2	2
Batia	1	..	..	..
Pattaraya	3	2	..	..
Vaisya	1	..	..	..
Kshtriya	6	6	3	3
Anglican	8	5	..	..
Arayan	1	..	..	..
Jain	1	1	..	..
Namboodiri	2	..	1	1
Jew	1	1	1	..
Nanjanat Pillai	1	..	..	..
Chaliyan	1	..	..	..
Pulaya	6	6	1	1
Padunna	1	1	..	..
Padunna Kanakka	2	1	..	..
Nambidi	2	..	..	..
Velan	2	1	1	1
Kudumichetty	1	1	..	..
Elayathu	1	..	..	..
Vellala	1	..	..	..
Paraya	..	..	1	1
Veluthedan	1	1	..	..
Perumannan	..	..	1	1
Unni	1	1	..	..
Ezhuthachan	..	..	1	1
Valan	1	..	..	..
Naidu	..	..	1	1
Moosad	..	..	1	..
Pisharoti	..	..	1	2
Marar	..	..	2	1
Samantha	..	..	1	1
Asari	..	..	1	1

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